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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of April, 1984)

The total number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during April was 473, representing an increase of two from the March total of 471 crews. There was a decrease of one land crew, but an increase of three marine vessels for a net increase of two crews.

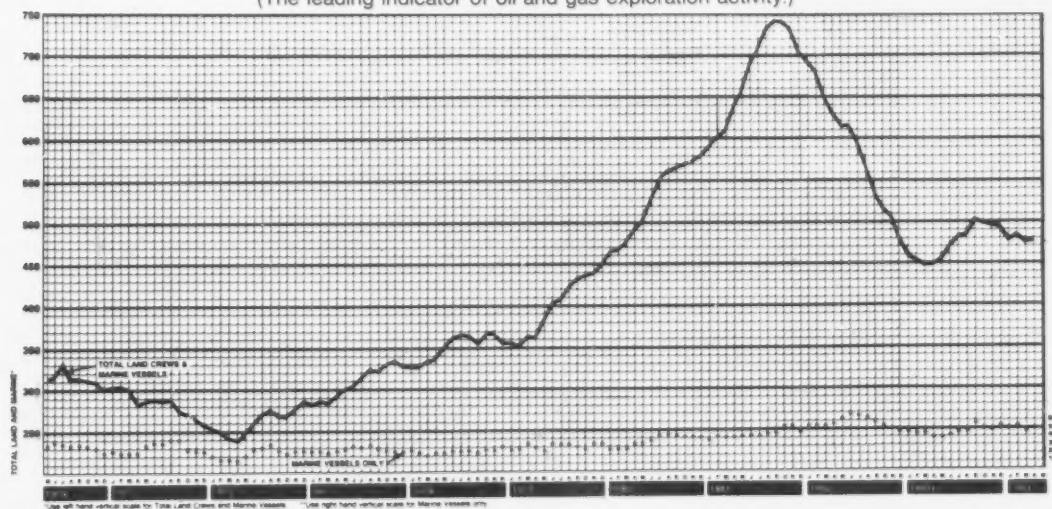
The April total (473) represents an increase of 1% over last month, a 5% increase over April, 1983, a 24% decrease from April, 1982, a 27% decrease from April, 1981, a 5% decrease from April, 1980, a 31% increase over April, 1979, and a gain of 38% over the same month in 1978.

During April, eight contractors were operating twelve of the 385 land crews and six of the forty-two vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:		LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
		This Mo.	Last Mo.	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1982	Apr. 1981	Apr. 1980	Apr. 1979	Apr. 1978	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1982	Apr. 1981	Apr. 1980	Apr. 1979	Apr. 1978
78 Contr's:		385	386	369	528	564	426	293	285	42	39	32	48	32	25	22	16
10 Oil Co's:		38	38	41	43	41	39	37	36	8	8	7	7	7	6	7	5
1 Gov't.:		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Totals:		423	424	410	571	605	465	330	321	50	47	39	55	40	31	30	21

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(The leading indicator of oil and gas exploration activity.)



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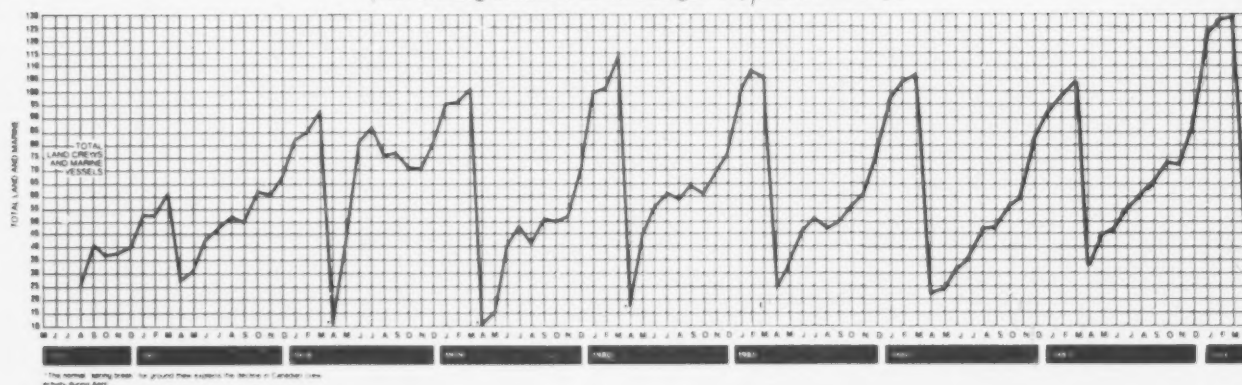
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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

April, 1984 (March figures in parentheses)

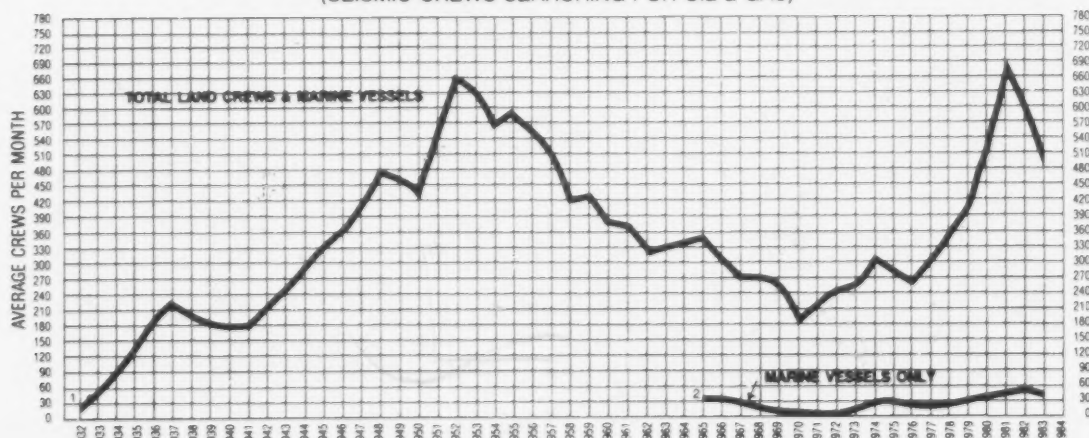
	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
18 Contractors:	39 (122)	3 (4)
0 Oil Companies:	0 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	39 (125)	3 (4)

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HISTORY OF SEISMIC EXPLORATION IN THE UNITED STATES
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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(Month of May, 1984)

During May, the total number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters increased by seventeen. According to the Society of Exploration Geophysicists, the May total was 490 crews, compared with 473 in April.

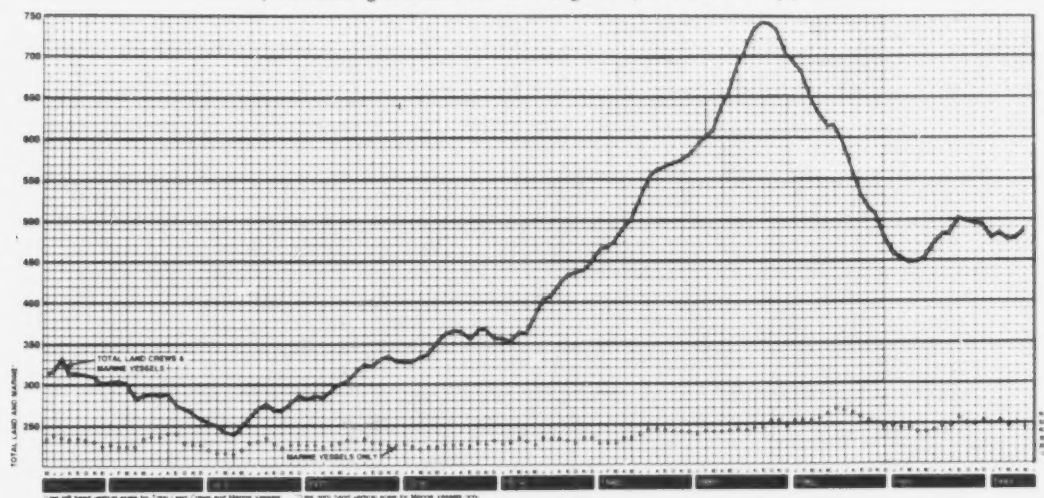
The May total (490) represents an increase of 4% over last month, an 8% increase over May, 1983, a 20% decrease from May, 1982, a 26% decrease from May, 1981, a 2% decrease from May, 1980, a 28% increase over May, 1979, and a gain of 40% over the same month in 1978.

During May, seven contractors were operating sixteen of the 406 land crews and four of the thirty-eight vessels on a speculative basis.

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	May '83	May '82	May '81	May '80	May '79	May '78	This Mo.	Last Mo.	May '83	May '82	May '81	May '80	May '79	May '78
TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	490	473	455	612	661	502	383	351								
80 Contr's:	406	385	375	508	578	429	317	294	38	42	33	53	34	28	21	15
10 Oil Co's:	38	38	41	43	41	39	38	36	8	8	6	8	7	6	6	5
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
Totals:	444	423	416	551	619	468	355	330	46	50	39	61	42	34	28	21

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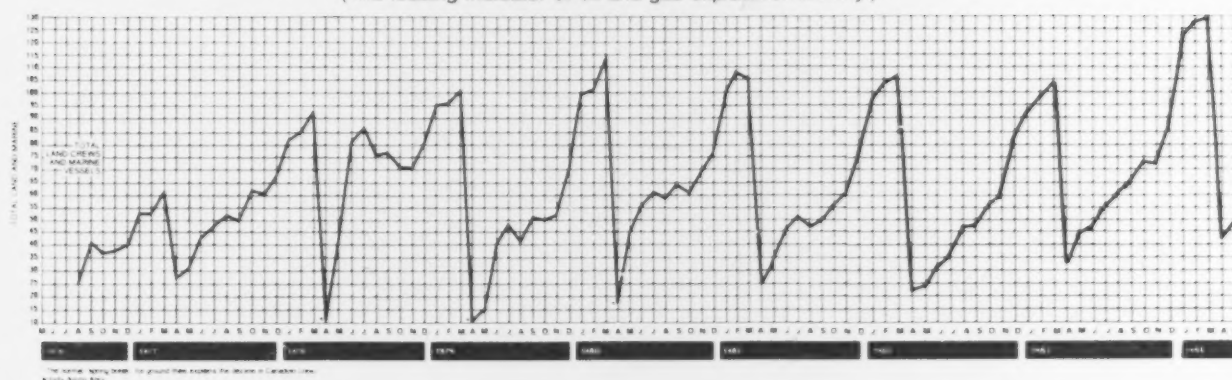
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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

May, 1984 (April figures in parentheses)

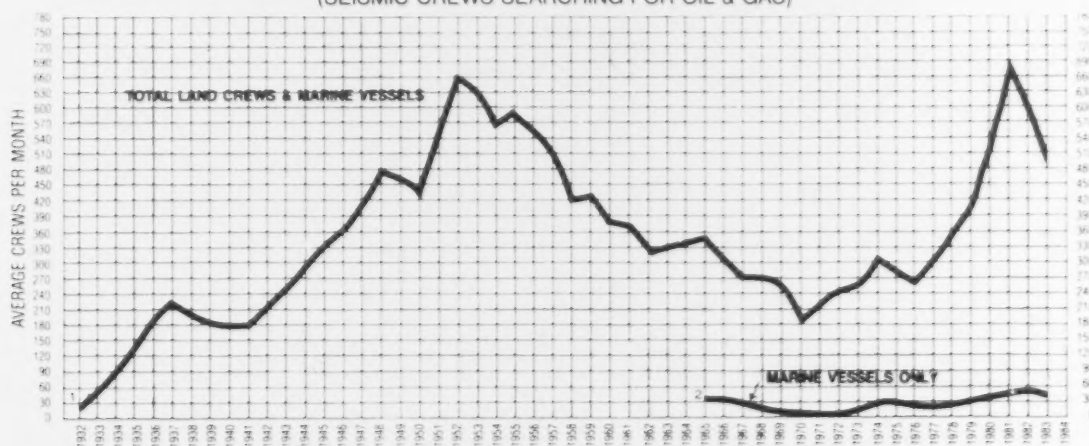
	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
24 Contractors:	48 (39)	1 (3)
0 Oil Companies:	0 (0)	0 (0)
Totals:	48 (39)	1 (3)

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of June, 1984)

According to the Society of Exploration Geophysicists' latest report, the number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during June increased by ten crews and vessels over May. The June total was 500, compared with 490 in May.

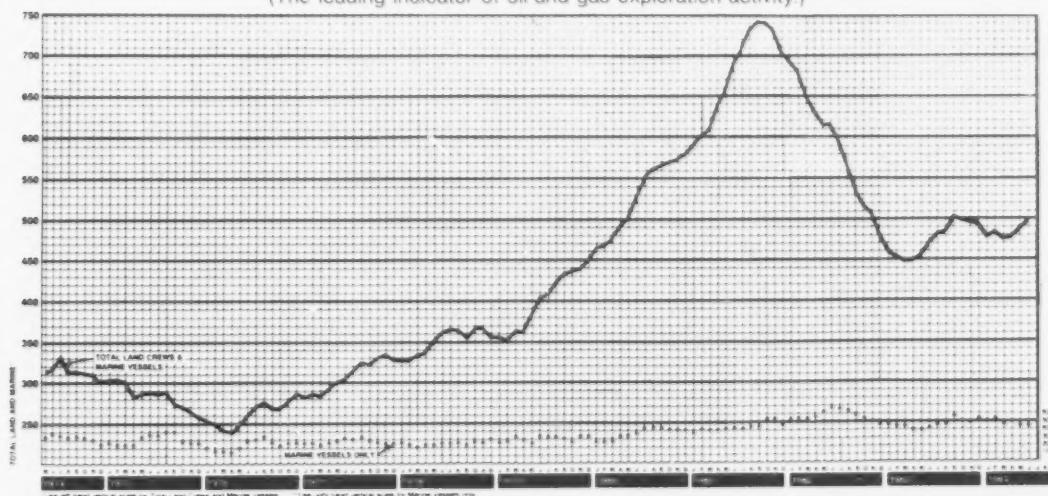
The June total (500) represents an increase of 2% over last month, a 6% increase over June, 1983, a 19% decrease from June, 1982, a 28% decrease from June, 1981, a 7% decrease from June, 1980 a 24% increase over June, 1979, and a gain of 38% over the same month in 1978.

During June, eight contractors were operating fourteen of the 418 land crews and five of the thirty-eight vessels on a speculative basis.

		This Month	Last Month	June 83	June 82	June 81	June 80	June 79	June 78
TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:		500	490	471	615	696	535	404	362
		LAND CREWS							
		This Mo.	Last Mo.	June 1983	June 1982	June 1981	June 1980	June 1979	June 1978
80 Contr's:		418	406	387	503	610	457	333	300
10 Oil Co's:		37	38	41	43	42	39	39	36
1 Gov't.:		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals:		455	444	428	546	652	496	372	336
		MARINE VESSELS							
		This Mo.	Last Mo.	June 1983	June 1982	June 1981	June 1980	June 1979	June 1978
80 Contr's:		38	38	37	62	37	32	26	20
10 Oil Co's:		7	8	6	7	6	6	5	5
1 Gov't.:		0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Totals:		45	46	43	69	44	39	32	26

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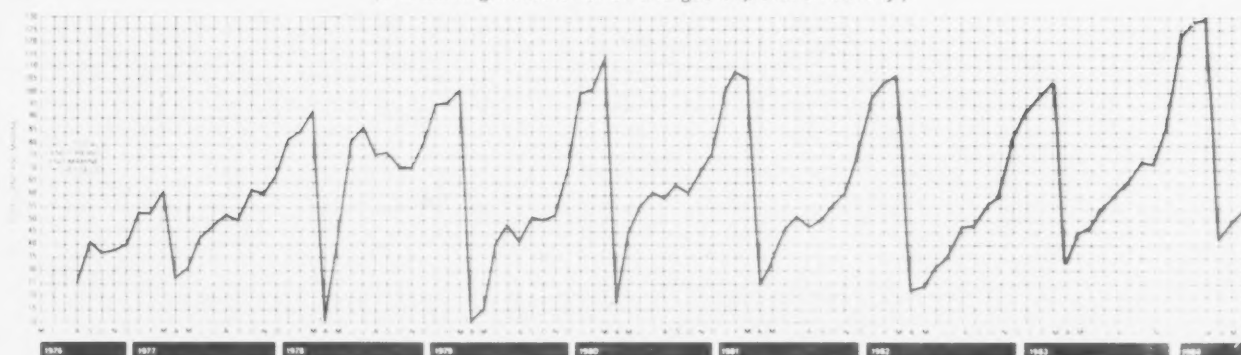
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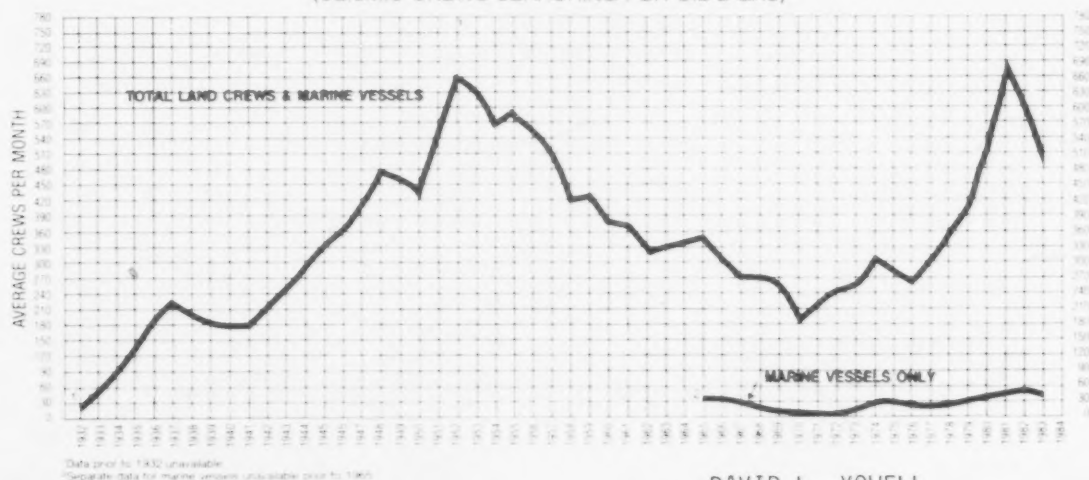
	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
26 Contractors:	50 (48)	2 (1)
1 Oil Company:	3 (0)	0 (0)
Totals:	53 (48)	2 (1)

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